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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME FOR RESPONSE TO WITHIN THE FIRST EXTENDED MONTH

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The applicant, through his attorneys, hereby petitions to extend time for response to the first office action dated February 1, 2002 to within the first extended month. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$110.00 to Deposit Account 18-0013 to cover the petition fee for a large entity.

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 18-0013. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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